

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING THE PRESENT
RCE FILING

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 10, 2007, and coincident to a Request for Continuing Examination (RCE) filed herewith, the following amendments and remarks to the above captioned patent application are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the above captioned patent application is respectfully requested.